

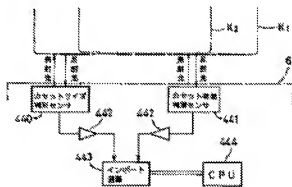
AUTOMATIC CHANGER

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Abstract of JP10188415

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To obtain an automatic cassette changer capable of discriminating the size of a cassette at a low cost regardless of the number of cassette housing rooms, by providing a sensor for discriminating the size of cassette and/or a sensor for discriminating the existence of cassette on the side of a cassette holding body and detecting whether the cassette exists in the cassette housing room. **SOLUTION:** When the cassette K in the desired cassette housing room is transported, a cassette transporting body is moved in the horizontal and/or vertical direction, and the cassette holding body 67 is positioned at the confronted position of the desired cassette housing room. After that, outputs of the cassette size discriminating sensor 440 and the cassette existence discriminating sensor 441 are fetched by a central processing unit CPU 444. When the outputs of both sensors are H-signals, for instance, the cassette exists and that this cassette is large cassette K is recognized, then the coincidence or discrepancy with the database of cassette/cassette housing room is confirmed.



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